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ELECTRONIC-DEVICE HOUSING APPARATUS**

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98**

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) form and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith, except for the following: U.S. patents and/or U.S. patent publications; and co-pending non-provisional U.S. applications filed after June 30, 2003.

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In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant encloses herewith a copy of a Communication from a

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foreign patent office in a counterpart application citing such documents, together with an English-language version (if not already included) of at least that portion of the Communication indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign patent office. Applicant notes for the Examiner's convenience that WO00/07834 is the English version of JP 2002-524326, WO00/047430 is the English version of JP 2002-541003 and WO99/41093 is the English version of JP 2002-502765. Furthermore, JP '765 is cited in the instant specification. Moreover, it has come to Applicant's attention that the citation in the instant specification contains a typographical error/omission, i.e., JP 2002-50276 should read JP 2002-502765, which has been corrected via a Preliminary Amendment being filed concurrently herewith.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

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